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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 98,475-B1)

In re Application of:

Paul Mertens, Marc Meuris, and Marc Heyns

Serial No.: 10/074,706

Filed: February 13, 2002

For: Method and Apparatus for Localized  
Liquid Treatment of the Surface of a  
Substrate

Group Art Unit: 1765

Examiner: Shamim Ahmed

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the above-identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached
  - a. Response to Office Action; and
  - b. Return receipt postcard.
2. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper described in paragraph 1, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on April 23, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 23, 2004

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### RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants respond to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004 as follows.